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BANC Show Schedules for 2004:
February 1...June 6...October 10...
Cromwell Bridge Holiday Inn
9AM – 4PM
(We can always use Volunteers to help out)

PRESIDENT'S PREAMBLE

WOW!!!! What a great time was had by most everyone who attended the ANA Convention in Baltimore. This was even greater than expected. Some real numismatic history was made and there were supurb educational opportunities around every corner. I will not say much more about the ANA Convention here as we have a reference document in the works for the next MD TAMS Journal that will review most aspects of the convention and hopefully capture the events for later use and review.

We are also coming off our annual Swap Meet held in September. The crowd was not as large as last year but I think all who attended really enjoyed themselves and either moved some of their dupes or added items to their collections or both. There was a lot of "shop talk" about our hobby and that is always fun. Thanks to all who came and especially to the Hajek's for the great refreshments. If you missed it, you missed a good time.

It is now time for an unpaid advertisement for BANC. Remember - - this is OUR organization. We directly benefit. Too often, it is the same few folks from MD TAMS who help at and/or attend the show. Both volunteer workers and attendees are needed. The following are the dates for the 2004 BANC shows at the Cromwell Bridge Holiday Inn:

Sunday 1 February 2004
Sunday 6 June 2004
Sunday 10 October 2004

Also, I want to make all of you aware that in 2004, Messrs. Berg and Kuszmar will be putting on three (3) coin shows at the Baltimore Convention Center. MD TAMS will have a meeting on the three Saturdays associated with each of these shows. These dates are:

Saturday 13 March 2004
Saturday 10 July 2004
Saturday 4 December 2004

We also plan on having the 2004 Swap Meet on Saturday 11 September at the Grace United Methodist Church. If a room is available, we will also have a meeting at the MSNA Annual Convention in New Carrollton on Saturday 22 May 2004. These last two dates and possibly one other meeting date will be firmed up ASAP. This should; however, aid in your early 2004 hobby planning. Remember, this is YOUR organization. Pitch in and keep it a GREAT one! Send those Journal articles to Will!

Ed Craig
President, MD TAMS

From Your Editor...

Digging for the Chalmers' Mint

Will Mumford

Sorry about the big delay for this issue. Both Ed and I have been rather busy and completely occupied with other things...You may have read about my adventures in the newspapers or in Numismatic News or Coin World...and what an adventure it has been! It has been a dream come true!

For many years some old time Annapolitans have referred to 10 Cornhill Street in Annapolis as "the old mint." They believed that it was this small brick house, built in the 1770s, where the silversmith, John Chalmers minted his silver coins (tokens) in 1783. Research has never established a connection between John Chalmers and No. 10 Cornhill Street. However, research does tell us that John Chalmers owned 14 Cornhill Street. Why then did the old timers refer to 10 Cornhill as "the old mint?"

Ten Cornhill has a very large chimney, which actually has four flues, two of which are dedicated to a very large fireplace in the basement. The basement has been inaccessible for probably over a hundred years as an addition, years ago closed off the outside entrance. The only way to get to this basement was by crawling under the addition for about 15 feet. There was no access to the basement from the first floor of the house.

The current owners decided to make the basement a useable space. They planned to put in a circular staircase from the first floor and dig out the basement and put in a cement floor. Mrs. Marshall, the owner, contacted the city to see if they were interested in doing any archaeology before the contractor started excavating. The city had no interest or resources to conduct a dig. She then contacted Dr. Al Luckenbach, the county archaeologist, and since it was out of his jurisdiction and he was busy with the Lost Towns project, he contacted me to see if I knew of any connection with 10 Cornhill and John Chalmers. I told him what I knew and when it became apparent that no dig was going to be conducted, I called Mrs. Marshall and asked if I could do my own dig. If I didn't get involved all the dirt from the basement was going directly to the dump! She was delighted that somebody seemed interested and gave me the green light to crawl into her basement.

I wasted no time. I contacted the contractor, Doug Pruett, and coordinated my activities with him. He was very interested in the project after I explained what might be the historical importance of the basement.

I was given three weeks to do my thing, so at every chance I hightailed it to the basement of 10 Cornhill and started digging. About a foot below the present earth floor I hit a layer of oyster shells and below the oysters I hit a brick floor! I then explored beneath the brick floor and after going through a six-inch layer of almost pure sand I hit an earth-sand mix and a trove of 18th century artifacts. Below this artifact rich layer was a hard clay floor and about midway through this bottom layer water started seeping into the dug area. I had hit the water level. The artifacts were retrieved from soupy mud!

I was fascinated! And found the first coin I have ever found in my 25 years of participating in archaeological digs. It was an English halfpenny of George II…in really bad condition; after all it had been covered in the moist soil for over 200 years! Other artifacts were recovered; large shards of porcelain and pottery, bones, oyster shells, brick, cuff-links, shoe buckles, bone handled utensils, glass, rusty iron objects (mostly nails, but many believed to be tools), buttons of bronze, pewter, and silver, clay marbles, glass beads, a cannon ball, large pieces of slag…and more coins!

I could only dig about a quarter of the basement before my three weeks were up. The rest of the dirt was slated for the county dump! I asked the contractor if the dirt below the brick floor could be taken to a friend's house in West Annapolis so I could sift through it. He agreed and four large trailer loads of dirt were dumped in West Annapolis. It was a bit more than I thought it would be, but I started sifting. I filled about five buckets, in the trunk of my car, full of the dirt, brought it to my home and sifted in style in my driveway. For the next few days I made trips to the dirt pile every day, sifting and still finding artifacts. By now I had found a total of eleven coins, nine in the basement and two more in the dirt pile.

On October 16th, I had signed up to go to the lecture by John Kraljevich, Jr. at 7pm at the Paca House in Annapolis. He was going to make his presentation on John Chalmers and his coins. I had a few hours before getting ready to attend the lecture so I set up my sifting apparatus and sifted more dirt. Right away I found a brass button and a coin shaped object, about the size of a farthing, but so badly corroded I couldn't tell what it really was. I found some pipe stems and then spotted a small metal disc,

which I believed to be another button. Most items are so dirty I can't tell what they are for sure until I wash them off. I put the small metal object into a jar lid where I put items of special interest, which are always the first to be washed. About an hour before the lecture I quite sifting and quickly washed the farthing sized coin first. I still couldn't tell what it was. The brass button was next and it washed off beautifully. When I washed the small metal object off I was puzzled when I found no hole in the button. I looked at it through my 16X magnifying glass. The first thing I saw was a small lopsided star and the word "ANNAPs"...I couldn't believe my eyes! The star was characteristic of the engravings of Thomas Sparrow and the ANNAPs could only mean one thing! I quickly turned the coin over and there I saw..."1783" It was indeed a Chalmers three-pence! I was stunned! I had to look again...I wasn't dreaming. It was what I thought it was!

I ran down the hall crying for joy to share my find with my wife, Elaine. She was almost as excited as I was. It then dawned on me that I had to go to a lecture on John Chalmers and his coins. For sure, I wasn't going to miss the lecture.

I quickly dressed and headed to the lecture with my new find, now carefully placed in a folder, snug in my pocket. When I arrived at the Paca House, I asked John Kraljevich if I could add a postscript to his lecture and added that I had a pretty important announcement to make. John welcomed my postscript and the evening began with his lecture.

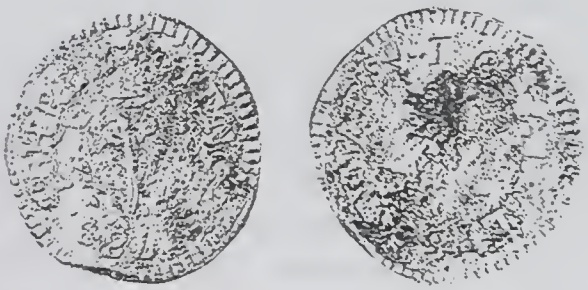
During the lecture, John stated, "No Chalmers coin has ever been found in an archaeological dig." I squirmed in my seat, but contained the excitement, which was just about boiling over within me. After the lecture and a Question and Answer session, I rose and asked if I could add a postscript to the lecture. I explained the circumstance of my dig and the possible significance of 10 Cornhill Street. I told them of finding the brick floor and of all the 18th century artifacts, including coins, I was finding below the brick floor. I told them of the deal I had made with the contractor and how I am now sifting through the dirt resting at a friend's property in West Annapolis; how I transport the dirt to buckets in the trunk of my car and take it to my driveway and sift it and I was still finding coins.

Then, looking at my watch I said, "Less than three hours ago, while sifting through this dirt I found a Chalmers' three-pence." I could feel the

gasps in the audience. It was, no doubt, a very dramatic finish for an evening spent on John Chalmers and his coins.

We are still sifting and to date have found a total of 24 coins...the Chalmers; three-pence; a cut bit from a Spanish Milled Dollar; British halfpennies of George I, II, and III and even of William III dated 1698; several British farthings; several Irish halfpennies; a Portuguese 10 Reis, dated 1752; a Nova Constellatio cent; a Connecticut cent and a Virginia halfpenny. All the coins date between 1698 and 1785.

What do these artifacts tell us? We haven't made a final interpretation yet and will carefully consider the accumulated artifacts after we have sifted through the rest of the dirt. Certainly, what we have found so far adds more credibility to the possibility of metal smithing in this old basement. Often, as I worked in the darkness of the basement, I would stare at the old rock walls and talk to them, pleading for information and I would think...if only these walls could talk back! I think now, from what I have found...maybe those old walls are talking back.



Chalmers threepence, found by Will Mumford on Oct. 16, 2003

Will Mumford digging in the basement of 10 Cornhill Street with his grandson, Thomas Mumford, age 7. He really liked finding "all those bones!"

STAR THEATRE TOKEN

By W. Wallace Stone R - 47

Continuing my search for further information on some of the Annapolis Md . tokens that have been included in David E. Schenkman's " Maryland Merchant Tokens" book has led to research on the Star Theatre. This is listed in his book as S 20-5 aluminum 20 MM as well as S 20-10 aluminum 23 MM. Both tokens descriptions are the same except for denomination that is 5 and 10 cents . STAR THEATRE/ (star) / ANNAPOLIS, MD

GOOD FOR / 5 CENTS / IN TRADE

In 1921 the Star Theatre opened for business at the corner of Calvert and Northwest Streets. It was the third movie house built in Annapolis in three years and was the center of entertainment for the city's black community at the time. The theatre had an unique, unofficial seating system, recalled by some long time residences. "Moms and dads sat in the old folks home", located next to the restrooms. Other Annapolis areas, Spa Road, Eastport, Parole, and in town—had their own seating sections as well. The Star thrived at the same time other downtown movies enjoyed success.

The Star was purchased in 1926 by a Mr. Samuel Eisenstein and owned by he and his wife, Lena, until it's last year of operation in 1963. They also, at one time, owned a confectionary store next door to the theatre, after 1939 the candy sore became a barber shop. At an earlier time, Calvert Street was a busy center of business and residential use, boasting a hotel, small shops, with apartments located above stores and shops. The Eisensteins occupied an apartment above the theatre.

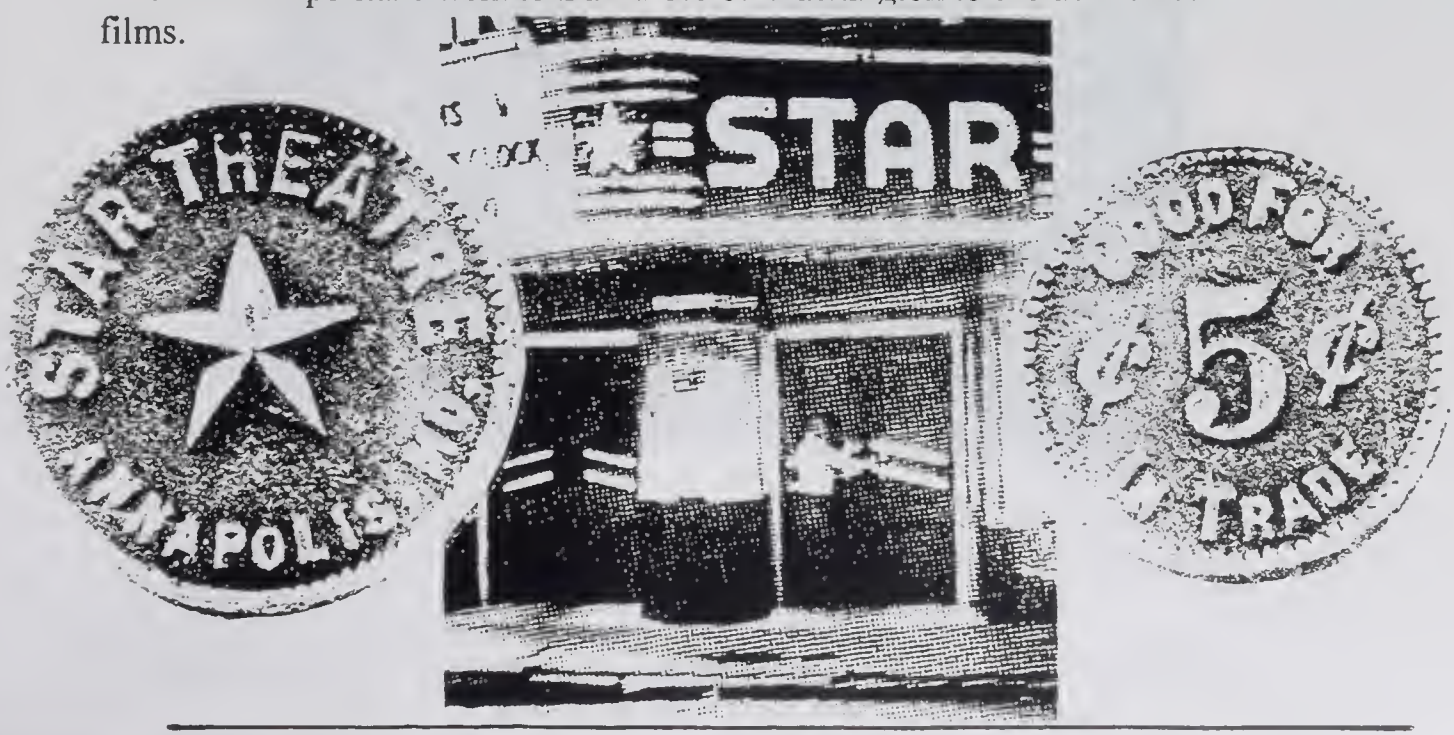
The Annapolis City Directory shows a listing for the Star at 77 Calvert Street from the late 1920's through 1963. From the middle 1950's onward it may be noted that more and more addresses along the street were being listed as "vacant". Anne Arundel County was purchasing property along both sides of Calvert Street. Beginning in the early 1960's The Arundel Center was under construction and by the time this project was completed both sides of the street would now contain other County office buildings as well as several large parking garages to accommodate the new influx of County and State workers.

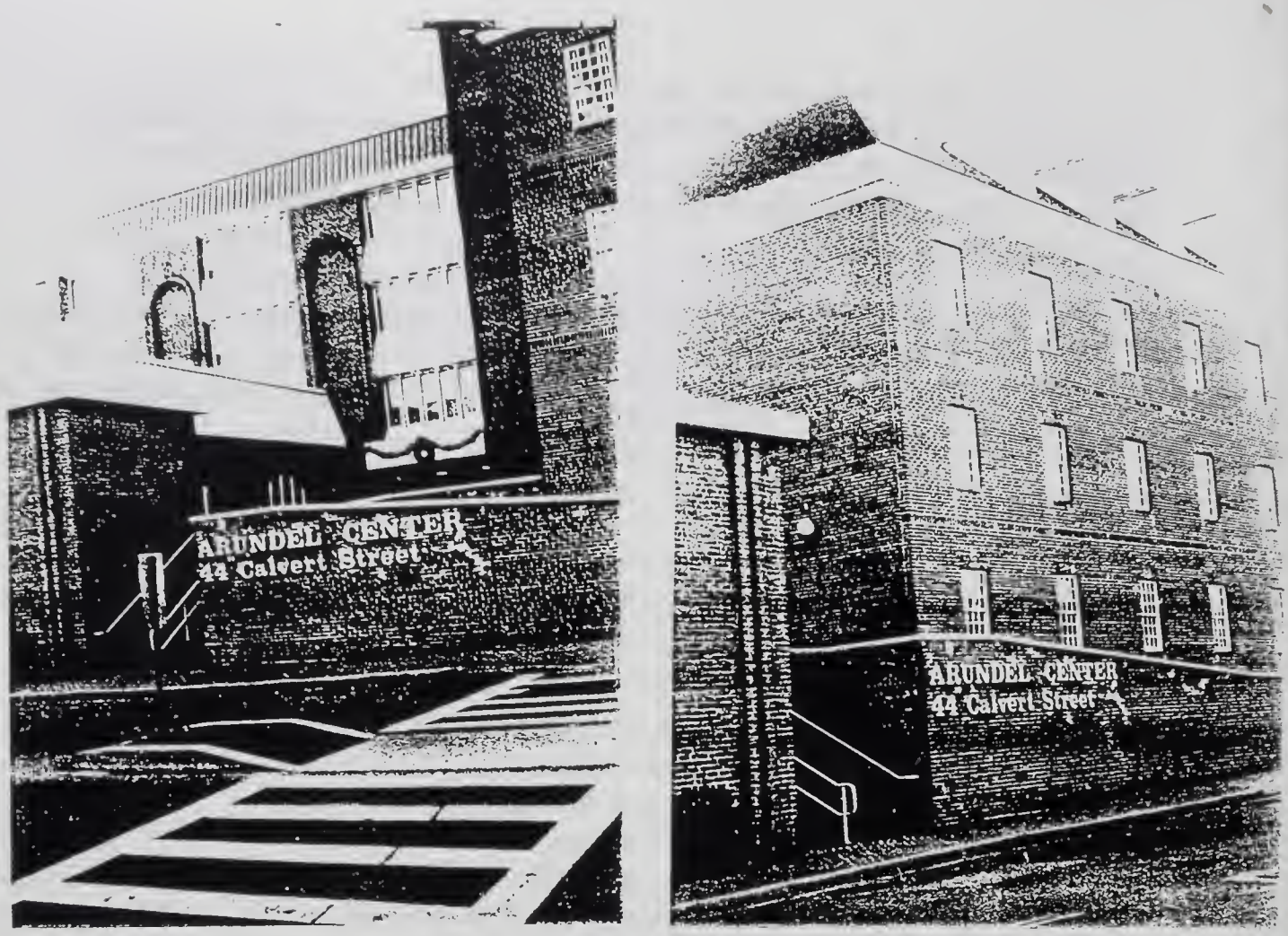
Today, Calvert Street is always busy with foot traffic as well as delivery trucks and private automobiles going both ways on this short but vital part of Anne Arundel County's nerve center.

Editor's Note: Some years back, I had a chance to talk with Sam Eisenstein about the Star Theatre. He had no knowledge of the tokens and didn't even know they existed. They must have been issued when the theatre opened in 1921. All of the tokens I have seen are uncirculated so I wonder if they were ever used. As a kid, I remember seeing the Star Theater at the end of Calvert Street, but it was not a place where you would go. The following is quoted from Philip Brown's ***The Other Annapolis:***

The first movie house for colored Annapolitans was located on the first floor of the old Odd Fellows Hall on Clay Street and it was the poorest excuse for a movie theater imaginable. The seating was on a level floor with benches for seats. Western movies of the cowboys and Indians type were featured. In 1921, a new movie theater for colored, the Star Theater, was built on the corner of Calvert and Northwest Streets by Jack and Mary Lipchin. It was opened to the "colored folks" of the city on July 15 presenting Douglas Fairbanks in "The Mark of Zorro" as the main attraction. On July 16, 1921 *The Evening Capital* printed an article about the opening of the theater, and declared that it was "a decided improvement to the city" and hailed the Star as "an excellent amusement place for the colored populace." This was the era of silent movies and most theaters had background music provided by a pianist during the show. At the Star, local pianist Emmit Nelson provided the background music. In addition to motion pictures and vaudeville, during the Joe Louis boxing era, films of his fights were shown. At Christmas time, Governor Albert C. Ritchie hosted a party for the colored children during which a free movie was shown and refreshments served. A popular event during the 1930's at the Star was "Bank Night." One night each week a drawing for a prize of $25.00 was conducted. The winning number was drawn from the stubs of the tickets purchased during the week leading up to "Bank Night." The holder of the winning ticket had to be present to win and the pot increased each week until a winner was present. Some patrons purchased tickets and remained only for the drawing which took place between the first and last shows.

Because of the size of the theater and its limited patronage, the proprietors could not afford to present first run films and therefore, most films were old before they were brought to the Star. For this reason, many colored Annapolitans went to Baltimore or Washington to see the newer films.





The Arundel Center facilities sits on the site of the Star Theatre.

Both sides of Calvert Street now provide Anne Arundel County offices and automobile parking.

The 1972 Silver Medal of the U. S. F. Constellation

By: Russ Sears

Naval historians have known for years that the ship in Baltimore's harbor, referred to as the "U. S. F. (Frigate) Constellation", supposedly built in Baltimore and launched in 1797, was actually a ship from a later period. When that fact was accepted by the whole Naval community, the ship was redesignated the U. S. S. (U. S. Ship) Constellation, built in about 1854.

Congress authorized the Philadelphia Mint to strike up to 100,000 silver medals, 1 5/16" in diameter, to commemorate the 175th Anniversary of the U. S. F. Constellation in 1972. Four medals each were struck in gold and in bronze. Three inch bronze and silver medals were also authorized and struck. Proceeds of the sale were to assist the Constellation's restoration and maintenance.

We were recently told that the Constellation would not accept the medal as a lifetime pass. I contacted the Constellation and left a message asking about this issue. We did not receive a response. This article is written to share with the reader this story and to give you a copy of a letter written by U. S. F. Constellation Director Donald F. Stewart clearly stating that the medal is a lifetime pass. Horizontal lines on the illustration are from folds of the letter.

Illustrated is the 1 5/16" silver medal struck by the U. S. Mint in Philadelphia.

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Enclosed also are additional applications for other interested collectors and friends who may wish to obtain one.

Sincerely yours,

Donald F. Stewart

DONALD F. STEWART
DIRECTOR
U.S.F. CONSTELLATION

DFS/tc

BARBERSHOP TOKENS

By W. Wallace Stone R-47

A token that has been in my collection for a number of years looked like something between a tool check and a "good -for" type item. A well known East Coast token dealer, Charles Kirtley, had a complete set of these tokens in his sale of September 1999, with information as to its origin and intended use. Prior to this information my token had been relegated to my maverick or "unknown" section . These have been attributed to the Hotel Petersburg Barber Shop, at 16 Tabb Street, Petersburg, Virginia with a Mr.M.E. Stephenson listed as the proprietor. This shop began operating in 1918. He had 13 barbers in his employ . The tokens have the individual barbers number on the bottom line and a denomination on the top line. The denomination would reflect the total charges rendered by the barber . On leaving the shop, the customer would pay the amount indicated on the brass check or checks, the barber's account was credited with the amount paid. In this way the barbers handled no money. The complete set consists of 13 denominations ranging from 10c to $1.50. In addition, there is an M.E.Stephenson token completing the set at a total of 14.

The tokens are Brass 27 MM, round with inside beaded border, holed as made with blank reverse. The numerals as well as the cent sign seem to have two styles.

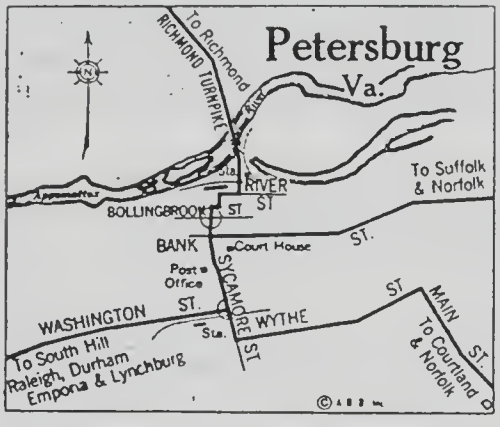
Working around an old bookcase we have at home I came across an interesting early automobile touring book entitled "Official Automobile Blue Book" standard touring guide of America volume two for the year 1926. In it there is a thumb- nail sketch of Petersburg and the surrounding area. A photograph of Hotel Petersburg, which looks to be modern for its time, and boasts of having 150 rooms all with outside exposure and rates of $2.00 to $4.00 per day.

31	22.6	PETERSBURG, at sta. Right on Washington St. HOTELS: Jefferson Petersburg Ahead on Sycamore St. 22.6 Is Route 338 (Highway 35) to Courtland.	31	42.1	DEWITT.
31	37.8	DINWIDDIE.	31	48.1	McKENNEY.
31	40.8	BUTTERWORTH.	314	51.0	Fork beyond bridge; right, leaving Highway 31. Left at 51.0 Is Route 336 (Highway 31) to Emporia and Goldsboro.

PETERSBURG, VA. (pop. 34,294, alt. 74 ft.), is situated on the Appomattox river. More manufactured tobacco is said to be shipped from here than from all other points in the United States. Petersburg is also one of the largest centers for the manufacture of trunks and bags in the United States. It stands second as a peanut market.

This city has been the scene of four famous banquets; the first to General Washington on his Southern tour in 1791; the second to General Lafayette on his American tour in 1824; the third to Aaron Burr on his way south in 1805; and the fourth to President Taft and his diplomatic corps in Washington in 1909.

The siege of Petersburg during the civil war is known as the longest and bloodiest in American history and is further distinguished by the explosion of the Burnside mine, the most spectacular event of this war. The intrenchments of Petersburg, 35 miles in length, may still be seen practically intact. The crater itself, with its fortifications, has remained untouched since the transfer of the federal dead to the National cemetery, five miles away.



Opposite Petersburg lies historic Violet Heights, the home of the Shores and the first headquarters of General Lee during the siege of Petersburg. In Petersburg proper are many historic mansions. The Benner-Shore mansion, corner of Adams and Marshall streets, was built more than a century ago. On Adams street stands the old Johnson-Wyatt mansion, where the body of Calhoun lay in state. The Seward mansion, on Market street, was the scene of the last meeting of Lincoln and Grant before the surrender of General Lee. Centre Hill mansion still bears the marks of the civil war in a cannon hole in the north wall and bullet holes in the attic doors. This was General Hartsuff's headquarters.

Central park, formerly Poplar lawn, is the oldest of the Petersburg parks. West End park, formerly the fair grounds, was the encampment of the federal soldiers during the reconstruction period. Thirty thousand unknown confederate dead are buried in Memorial Hill.

Petersburg is the seat of the Southern college, the Virginia Normal and collegiate institute, and the State central hospital for the insane.

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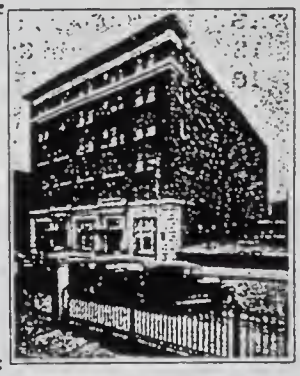


Russ' Great Adventure - July 2003

By Russ Sears

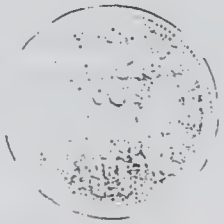
There are so many fun things to do in Baltimore. Often, I have ideas (for adventures) and try to follow through when I am able. Tokens often play a part in my adventures.

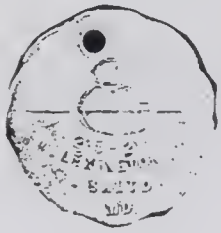
For quite a while, I have wanted to walk around downtown Baltimore and take pictures with a historical perspective in mind. I have also wanted to take the Light Rail from Lutherville all the way to Glen Burnie where it ends.

My adventure in July 2003 started when I left Lutherville on the Light Rail. A half hour later I was at Baltimore Street. I walked east to a little past Gay Street, south as far as Redwood, north as far as Saratoga and west to Paca. Tokens and medals related to where I walked included Troc Pleasure Palace, Baltimore American, City Hall, Battle Monument, Lexington Market, Hutzler's, Stewarts, Hecht Co., Hochschild Kohn, Little Joe's, Brager's, Eisenbergs, Joel Gutman, Julius Gutman. Carrollton Hotel and more.

Since I made the decision to go from downtown to the end of the Light Rail line, it seemed like a good idea to eat before venturing south. Lexington Market did not appeal to me and I decided to visit McDonalds at Howard and Fayette Streets. And, McDonalds is a good choice for a bathroom stop. Upon arriving at McDonalds, I found that the restrooms were locked. And, what do you think was needed to get in? A token! So, not only did I use tokens on the Light Rail, I used a generic Nik-O-Lok at McDonalds. Sorry, but I couldn't keep the Nik-O-Lok token because I really needed to use it.

The trip south was great. I was seeing things I don't think I have seen before, or at least since I was five when we went on the W B & A to my Aunt Thelma and Uncle Emory's farm. After arriving at the southern terminus, I walked east on Baltimore Annapolis Boulevard headed toward Jim Butler's coin shop. Jim wasn't there to price tokens, so I continued on to the Neatest Little Shop. Chuck Bramble was in his shop, so I spent my money with him. Then, back to the Light Rail to return to Lutherville. The trip from Glen Burnie to Lutherville took 55 minutes, and was a nice historical trip. In addition to the locations noted above, I went over the Middle Branch, by the ballpark and stadium, up Howard Street, past Woodbury, by Lake Roland. Wow! What history I visited on another great adventure.





I'm thinking about another great adventure on the Light Rail to BWI Airport, or maybe my first trip on the Metro, subway. Before BWI Airport was built, the land was used by farms where picker tokens were used. We'll see....

CHESAPEAKE SEA FOOD CO.

BY W. Wallace Stone R - 47

The Chesapeake Sea Food Co. token as listed in David E. Schenkman's "Maryland Merchant Tokens" book in the Annapolis section is shown as; C 10,

CHESAPEAKE SEA FOOD CO. / 1 / GALLON /
ANNAPOLIS, MD. Aluminum 29 mm

This firms earliest listing was in the1920 telephone directory with an address of No. 3 Dock Street, Annapolis, Md. A city directory a few years later indicated the address as "City Fish Market" stall No. 13 & 14. The telephone number in the 1920's was 957. The building was a 100' long x 40' wide one story structure located just a few feet from the head waters of the City Slip off of Spa Creek. Today the local waterman's term for this area is "EGO ALLEY". Needless to say many boats of all sizes like to see and be seen in this area. The last year in business was 1957, as this building was torn down in 1958 and additional automobile parking space was made in the downtown area. Today a small City park graces the end of this street. A much older market house (circa 1900) existed less than a block away housing several seafood dealers and other grocery retailers. This market house was rebuilt a number of years ago on the footprints of the original fish market. The exterior design was kept as a reproduction of the building. The listing noted in the 1929 City Directory that the market was home to 7 different fish and sea food vendors. Today, in 2003 there is still a sea food vendor, but there are also many fancy food and fruit dealers. A wide selection of carry out food is available for the lunch as well as the dinner trade.

The company remained in the location from 1920 until 1957. The last year in business the telephone number had been updated to Co-3-2391. Today that number would be; 263-2391. An interesting fact was revealed through the City Directory. Cross referencing this company, was the fact that the manager was Mrs. Ida I. Miller, widow of Ernest Miller. Mr. Miller is also included in the listing in the" Maryland Merchant Token" book under the heading of M-5

MILLER & HOLLOCK / 1 / GALLON /
ANNAPOLIS, MD / (blank) brass 29mm

The Millers lived at 5 Murray Avenue, in Annapolis. Not a far distance from the fish market. The Miller's canning company was located on Johnson Place, which at that time was near the rail road spur which ran from the Annapolis mid - town area Westward towards Baltimore and Washington.

The last known listing for the company in 1957, ended a 37 year business operation in downtown Annapolis. A further research project could be carried out exploring a "new" business, begun in the year 1958 in Anne Arundel County on Mountain Road, in Pasadena, Md.. under the name of Chesapeake Seafood Co. and later in1965 was changed to Chesapeake Seafood Market, and still later in 1974 was now listed at the address of 2412 Mountain Road.

Minutes of the MD TAMS (Annual) Meeting held today in Room 311 of the Baltimore Convention Center during the 112th Anniversary Convention of the ANA (American Numismatic Association)

I-Meeting called to order by President (E. Craig) at 11:05am with 29 members and 5 guests in attendance (attendance sheet is attached).

II-Minutes of last meeting (03-15-03) not read as they had been published in our Journal.

III-Treasurer's Report (copy attached) read by our Treasurer (R. Ruby).

IV-Committee Reports:

a-Journal-E. Craig asked everyone to write at least one article for our Journal.

-W. Mumford (Journal Editor) said he could use some more articles as he was almost of out them (he also thanked W. Stone for his recent Journal articles).

b-Literary Awards-E. Craig reported that this Committee had met and selected the 1st place & runner up articles and that the awards would be presented later (see 6b below).

c-2003 ANA-E. Craig-spoke on some of the things that had already happened at the Convention.

d-Elections-W. Stone (Committee Chair) reported that all of our current officers--except for F.Pugliese (who had moved out of the State)--would accept the nomination for another term for their respective office. Motion by W.Stone, 2nd by W. Mumford that nominations be closed and that E. Craig be reelected President, M. Hajek be reelected Vice President, J. Boswell be reelected Secretary, R. Ruby be reelected Treasurer, J. Burford be reelected as a Director and B. Bodt be elected a Director (to replace F. Pugliese). Motion passed unanimously.

V-Old Business:None.

VI-New Business:

a-E. Craig symbolically presented our Treasurer with a check (it had already been deposited in our account) for our part of the proceeds at the last BANC Show.

b-Awards:

1-Literary Bucks:Were presented (by E.Craig) to J.Boswell, J. Burford, E.Craig, M.Hajek, R.Kaminski, W.Mumford, R.Ruby, R.Sears, J.Shipley, W.Stone & W.Stratemeyer for their efforts on behalf of MD TAMS during the past year.

2-Literary Awards:E.Craig presented a set of TAMS medals, a Annapolis token & a certificate to W.Stone (1st place) and a set of TAMS medals and a certiciate to M.Hajek (runner up).

3-Membership Awards:Were presented (by E. Craig) to J.Boswell, R.Ruby & W.Stratemeyer.

4-J.Sears was presented with an award (by E.Craig) for authoring our "Funny Money" book (book is available from Secretary for $10 plus postage)

NOTE:At the (National) TAMS Banquet (held 07-31-03) during the Convention, E.Craig was presented with a six (different metals) medal set for designing this year's TAMS Assemblage Medal.

VII-Announcements:

a-John Wilson (one of our members and the outgoing ANA President) and Brenda Bishop (ANA Convention Director) spoke about the Convention/MD TAMS' work on same.

b-E.Craig:We had had some six piece ceramic sets (6 different "coins" in each set) made for the Convention and they were available for sale.

c-M.Hajek:Several "give aways" had been made for today's meeting (each member in attendance was given one of each different one).

d-W.Ayres:M.Burris had recently been hospitalized but was (as of four days ago) home recuperating.

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VII-Announcements (continued):

e-E.Craig:Our next meeting will be held 12-06-03 at the Suburban W & B Show (time, etc. TBA)

f-E.Craig:Tom Palmer (General Chairman of this year's Convention) received a "Good Fellow" Award from the ANA

g-J.Burford:He has received additional listings for our Wooden Nickel reference and asked that anyone who has any of them that he has not listed to please send him a complete description of same. :His next reference will be on MD "minature key tags" and he would like information on any of them that our members have/know of.

h-N.Wilson:Her husband (John) had "lost" his ANA Good Fellow Award (it has his name on it) and would appreciate hearing from anyone who knew/knows where it is.

i-M.Hajek:ANA had given out Exhibitor Medals to those who had an exhibit at this year's Convention/Show.

j-D.Sklow (Secretary of TAMS & member of MD TAMS): Reported on TAMS.

k-E.Craig:Speakers at this year's ANA Convention/Show include the following members of MD TAMS: M.Hajek, G.Ruby & R.Sears.

VIII-Show & Tell:

a-J.Shipley:Adamstown Bank Note.

b-T.Kotche:Carson City, NV Mint Medals and Virginia City, NV Medals he have acquired while he was at those places (the medals were struck while he was at each place).

IX-Break taken so members/guests could view the auction lots, etc.

X-Auction (the auctioneer (R.Sears) was assisted by E.Craig and the tabulators were J.Boswell & R.Ruby).

Respectfully Submitted,

James M. Boswell, Secretary
MD TAMS

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NEED INFO ON GOSPEL NOTES CIRCA 1950. Private currency embellished with Angels, Cherubs, etc. Is this Sunday School money? Gordon Jarman, 410 E MacPhail Rd., Bel Air, MD 21014-4410. (S03)

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